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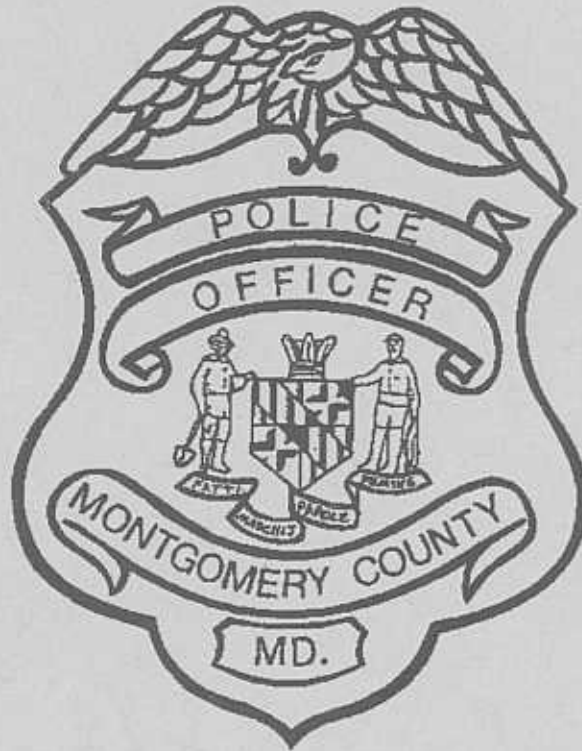
Quarterly Crime Report

1st Quarter 2000

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Crime Continues to Decline During First Quarter of 2000

Montgomery County Chief of Police Charles A. Moose today announced a continued decline in crime within the County. Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) statistics for the first quarter of 2000, as compared to the same period in 1999 reveal:

- Part I Crime is down 3 percent
- Violent Crimes showed a 3 percent decline
- Overall, Total Crime (Part I and Part II Totals) is down 2 percent

With the exception of auto theft (which increased by almost 12 percent over the same comparison period), and rape (which was unchanged) all other categories of Part I crimes (murder, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, and larceny) showed continued decreases from the same comparison period.

Earlier today, Chief Moose joined other law enforcement leaders in the Washington Metropolitan area to announce the formation of a regional task force to address the auto theft problem in the Washington Metropolitan area. The following jurisdictions will be participating in the Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement, or WAVE task force: Montgomery County Police, Maryland State Police, Prince George's County Police, Metropolitan Police Department, Fairfax County Police, the Washington Field office of the FBI, and Arlington County Police. The task force is committed to coordinating and combining resources to attack the growing regional problem of auto theft.

Police Chief Charles A. Moose commented that "these reductions continue to be reflective of the truly excellent policing efforts of the men and women of the Montgomery County Police Department, along with those from all of our public safety partners in the County. Our officers are continuing their good work with our citizens to ensure that Montgomery County is a safe place in which to live and work."

While the reduction in crime rates was generally good news, Chief Moose reemphasized the importance of focusing on traffic safety as it relates to our quality of life. "We continue to see people die or become seriously injured in vehicle collisions for reasons that could have been prevented." He stressed the need for all of us, motorists and pedestrians alike, to take the time each day to focus on traffic safety. "I am, once again, asking everyone to drive the speed limit, stop for red lights, use your seatbelts, get your

child safety seats inspected, and not to drink and drive. These are actions that each of us can practice daily to significantly contribute to the overall safety of our community."

Editors note: A complete crime report is available for pickup at Montgomery County Police Headquarters, Office4 of Media Services, 2350 Research Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland.

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CRIME

Montgomery County, Maryland

CURRENT QUARTER

Crime*	2000	1999	Percent Difference
Murder	0	2	-100.0%
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o Commercial	(151)	(279)	
o Schools	(98)	(22)	
Larceny	4,160	4,358	-4.5%
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* The seven felony crimes listed are commonly referred to as "Part I" crimes, and all other police jurisdictions
report these statistics to FBI for their Uniform Crime Report. All other crimes are called Part II.

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MONTHLY CRIME

2000

JANUARY

Crime	2000	1999	Percent Difference
Murder	0	1	-100.0%
Rape	10	11	-9.1%
Robbery	53	62	-14.5%
Aggravated Assault	62	54	14.8%
Burglary	257	310	-17.1%
Larceny	1,265	1,524	-17.0%
Auto Theft	235	205	14.6%
Part I	1,882	2,167	-13.2%
TOTAL CRIME	4,738	5,157	-8.1%

FEBRUARY

Crime	2000	1999	Percent Difference
Murder	0	1	-100.0%
Rape	8	9	-11.1%
Robbery	37	36	2.8%
Aggravated Assault	47	49	-4.1%
Burglary	244	221	10.4%
Larceny	1,377	1,338	2.9%
Auto Theft	210	201	4.5%
Part I	1,923	1,855	3.7%
TOTAL CRIME	4,774	4,652	2.6%

MARCH

Crime	2000	1999	Percent Difference
Murder	0	0	0.0%
Rape	13	11	18.2%
Robbery	51	47	8.5%
Aggravated Assault	61	72	-15.3%
Burglary	277	282	-1.8%
Larceny	1,517	1,496	1.4%
Auto Theft	239	206	16.0%
Part I	2,158	2,114	2.1%
TOTAL CRIME	5,297	5,345	-0.9%

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ARRESTS

CURRENT QUARTER

JAN. - MAR. 2000 - 1999

CRIME	2000	1999	Percent Difference
Murder	0	7	-100.0%
Rape	12	9	33.3%
Robbery	49	62	-21.0%
Aggravated Assault	83	85	-2.4%
Burglary	116	166	-30.1%
Larceny	530	528	0.4%
Auto Theft	133	131	1.5%
Part I ARRESTS	923	988	-6.6%
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Clearance
Rates

CURRENT QUARTER

JAN. - MAR. 2000

CRIME	Total	Cleared	Percent of Clearance
Murder	0	1	*N/C
Rape	31	14	45.2%
Robbery	141	65	46.1%
Aggravated Assault	170	136	80.0%
Burglary	778	184	23.7%
Larceny	4,160	924	22.2%
Stolen Auto	684	187	27.3%
Total Part I	5,964	1,511	25.3%
Total Crime	14,810	6,004	40.5%

CUMULATIVE - YEAR TO DATE

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CURRENT QUARTER

	Rockville			Bethesda			Silver Spring			Wheaton			Germantown		
	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Rape	3	2	50.0%	1	3	-66.7%	4	2	100.0%	2	3	-33.3%	3	1	200.0%
Robbery	8	2	300.0%	4	7	-42.9%	12	18	-33.3%	14	11	27.3%	13	9	44.4%
Agg. Assault	10	5	100.0%	5	15	-66.7%	9	12	-25.0%	19	18	5.6%	18	22	-18.2%
Burglary	49	42	16.7%	71	54	31.5%	43	63	-31.7%	44	57	-22.8%	70	66	6.1%
Larceny	241	277	-13.0%	298	301	-1.0%	324	277	17.0%	263	268	-1.9%	391	373	4.8%
Auto Theft	19	25	-24.0%	34	34	0.0%	75	87	-13.8%	67	33	103.0%	44	27	63.0%
Part I	330	353	-6.5%	413	414	-0.2%	467	459	1.7%	409	390	4.9%	539	498	8.2%
Part II	532	541	-1.7%	347	374	-7.2%	640	735	-12.9%	623	568	9.7%	997	1,013	-1.6%
Total Crime	862	894	-3.6%	760	788	-3.6%	1,107	1,194	-7.3%	1,032	958	7.7%	1,536	1,511	1.7%

Cumulative

	Rockville			Bethesda			Silver Spring			Wheaton			Germantown		
	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	2	-100.0%
Rape	5	4	25.0%	4	4	-25.0%	8	4	100.0%	6	4	50.0%	9	15	-40.0%
Robbery	18	17	5.9%	13	20	-35.0%	40	50	-20.0%	43	31	38.7%	27	27	0.0%
Agg. Assault	23	15	53.3%	14	21	-33.3%	27	28	-3.6%	50	44	13.6%	56	67	-16.4%
Burglary	122	120	1.7%	169	156	8.3%	174	178	-2.2%	128	151	-15.2%	185	208	-11.1%
Larceny	655	768	-14.7%	797	968	-17.7%	889	842	5.6%	722	742	-2.7%	1,097	1,038	5.7%
Auto Theft	71	67	6.0%	80	103	-22.3%	247	218	13.3%	175	132	32.6%	111	92	20.7%
Part I	894	991	-9.8%	1,076	1,272	-15.4%	1,385	1,320	4.9%	1,124	1,104	1.8%	1,485	1,449	2.5%
Part II	1,526	1,499	1.8%	980	1,100	-10.9%	1,811	1,956	-7.4%	1,687	1,593	5.9%	2,842	2,870	-1.0%
Total Crime	2,420	2,490	-2.8%	2,056	2,372	-13.3%	3,196	3,276	-2.4%	2,811	2,697	4.2%	4,327	4,319	0.2%

CURRENT QUARTER

	Rockville			Bethesda			Silver Spring			Wheaton			Germantown		
	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%
Murder	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
Rape	1	2	-50.00%	1	0	N/C	0	0	0.00%	1	0	N/C	3	0	N/C
Robbery	4	9	-55.56%	3	3	0.00%	4	11	-63.64%	2	3	-33.33%	1	2	-50.00%
Agg. Assault	8	9	-11.11%	2	3	-33.33%	6	10	-40.00%	3	5	-40.00%	5	6	-16.67%
Burglary	14	20	-30.00%	5	6	-16.67%	7	7	0.00%	8	7	14.29%	6	13	-53.85%
Larceny	40	46	-13.04%	41	45	-8.89%	39	29	34.48%	27	49	-44.90%	49	34	44.12%
Auto Theft	13	12	8.33%	0	1	-100.00%	19	5	280.00%	14	7	100.00%	12	4	200.00%
Part I	80	98	-18.37%	52	58	-10.34%	75	62	20.97%	55	71	-22.54%	76	59	28.81%
Part II	328	339	-3.24%	64	52	23.08%	138	176	-21.59%	97	99	-2.02%	170	169	0.59%
Total Crime	408	437	-6.64%	116	110	5.45%	213	238	-10.50%	152	170	-10.59%	246	228	7.89%

Cumulative - Year To Date

Jan.1 - Mar. 31, 2000 - 1999

	Rockville			Bethesda			Silver Spring			Wheaton			Germantown		
	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%	2000	1999	%
Murder	0	2	-100.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	5	-100.00%
Rape	4	4	0.00%	1	0	N/C	0	3	-100.00%	0	0	N/C	4	2	100.00%
Robbery	9	11	-18.18%	9	7	28.57%	9	19	-52.63%	13	17	-23.53%	9	8	12.50%
Agg. Assault	24	20	20.00%	7	5	40.00%	14	17	-17.65%	15	18	-16.67%	23	25	-8.00%
Burglary	37	48	-22.92%	10	20	-50.00%	19	33	-42.42%	25	25	0.00%	25	40	-37.50%
Larceny	111	139	-20.14%	99	80	23.75%	125	96	30.21%	83	113	-26.55%	112	100	12.00%
Auto Theft	27	34	-20.59%	6	12	-50.00%	47	43	9.30%	25	27	-7.41%	28	15	86.67%
Part I	212	258	-17.83%	132	124	6.45%	214	211	1.42%	164	200	-18.00%	201	195	3.08%
Part II	892	865	3.12%	145	150	-3.33%	360	474	-24.05%	282	298	-5.37%	481	461	4.34%
Total Crime	1,104	1,123	-1.69%	277	274	1.09%	574	685	-16.20%	446	498	-10.44%	682	656	3.96%

* Please note the elevated numbers are a result of fugitive arrests and bookings at the CPU

*N/C - not calculable

Part I Offenses
Comparison Study of Events and Arrests
January 1 - March 31, 2000 - 1999

| PART I | EVENTS | | | | | | ARRESTS | | |
| | March | | | YTD | YTD | | YTD | YTD | |
OFFENSES	2000	1999	% + -	2000	1999	% + -	2000	1999	% + -
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	2	-100.0%	0	7	-100.0%
Forcible Rape	13	11	18.2%	31	31	0.0%	12	9	33.3%
Force	(10)	(10)		(26)	(25)				
Assault or Attempt	(3)	(1)		(5)	(6)				
Robbery	51	47	8.5%	141	145	-2.8%	49	62	-21.0%
Armed	(34)	(32)		(91)	(98)				
No Weapon	(17)	(15)		(50)	(47)				
Aggravated Assault	61	72	-15.3%	170	175	-2.9%	83	85	-2.4%
Gun	(14)	(14)		(28)	(30)				
Knife	(18)	(18)		(52)	(64)				
Other Weapon	(18)	(32)		(65)	(63)				
Hands, Fists, Etc.	(11)	(8)		(25)	(18)				
Burglary	277	282	-1.8%	778	813	-4.3%	116	166	-30.1%
Residence	(177)	(185)		(529)	(512)				
Commercial	(94)	(91)		(151)	(279)				
School	(6)	(5)		(98)	(22)				
Larceny	1,517	1,496	1.4%	4,160	4,358	-4.5%	530	528	0.4%
Pickpocket	(15)	(13)		(34)	(48)				
Purse Snatch	(0)	(3)		(4)	(8)				
Shoplifting	(233)	(267)		(696)	(712)				
From Autos	(392)	(344)		(1,086)	(1,137)				
Auto Parts	(296)	(277)		(751)	(771)				
Bicycles	(24)	(24)		(49)	(70)				
From Buildings	(409)	(416)		(1,137)	(1,174)				
Coin Machines	(2)	(9)		(20)	(28)				
Other	(146)	(143)		(383)	(410)				
Auto Theft	239	206	16.0%	684	612	11.8%	133	131	1.5%
Part I Total	2,158	2,114	2.1%	5,964	6,136	-2.8%	923	988	-6.6%
Part I Unfounded	388	442		1,166	1,233				
*C/A/Persons	74	83	-10.8%	201	208	-3.4%	95	101	-5.9%
*C/A/Property	2,084	2,031	2.6%	5,763	5,928	-2.8%	828	887	-6.7%
Assaults on PO	26	35	-25.7%	80	86	-7.0%			

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Part II Offenses
Comparison Study of Events and Arrests
January 1 - March 31, 2000 - 1999

PART II	EVENTS						ARRESTS		
	March			YTD	YTD		YTD	YTD	
OFFENSES	2000	1999	% + -	2000	1999	% + -	2000	1999	% + -
Minor Assaults	503	522	-3.6%	1,460	1,422	2.7%	299	324	-7.7%
Arson	14	12	16.7%	35	35	0.0%	6	8	-25.0%
Forgery/Counter.	37	74	-50.0%	99	142	-30.3%	35	26	34.6%
Bad Checks	3	37	-91.9%	20	122	-83.6%	43	59	-27.1%
Embezzlement/Theft	9	11	-18.2%	19	34	-44.1%	7	2	250.0%
Stolen Property	0	0	0.0%	3	0	N/C	2	0	N/C
Vandalism	581	480	21.0%	1,456	1,432	1.7%	35	34	2.9%
Weapons	22	34	-35.3%	77	88	-12.5%	75	80	-6.3%
Prostitution/Vice	2	0	N/C	4	0	N/C	3	0	N/C
Sex	35	43	-18.6%	110	120	-8.3%	30	48	-37.5%
Narcotic Drug Laws	243	293	-17.1%	624	780	-20.0%	583	581	0.3%
Sale/Manufacture	(29)	(66)		(99)	(142)				
Possession/Use	(214)	(227)		(525)	(638)				
Gambling	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Family Offense	42	24	75.0%	104	99	5.1%	13	11	18.2%
Child Abuse	(27)	(13)		(66)	(66)				
Child Neglect	(13)	(11)		(36)	(30)				
Other	(2)	(0)		(2)	(3)				
Juvenile Offense	152	149	2.0%	414	412	0.5%	13	28	-53.6%
Runaway	(150)	(149)		(405)	(402)				
Out of Control	(1)	(0)		(2)	(2)				
Other	(1)	(0)		(7)	(8)				
Liquor Laws	24	19	26.3%	66	78	-15.4%	6	4	50.0%
Contrib. Del. Minor	0	0	0.0%	0	1	-100.0%	1	2	-50.0%
Disorderly Conduct	903	947	-4.6%	2,635	2,591	1.7%	40	44	-9.1%
Actual Suicide	5	0	N/C	20	8	150.0%			
Attempt Suicide	31	32	-3.1%	102	98	4.1%			
Other Part II Offenses	533	554	-3.8%	1,598	1,556	2.7%	969	997	-2.8%
Part II Total	3,139	3,231	-2.8%	8,846	9,018	-1.9%	2,160	2,248	-3.9%
Part II Unfounded	868	887		2,502	2,384				
TOTAL CRIME	5,297	5,345	-0.9%	14,810	15,154	-2.3%	3,083	3,236	-4.7%

	Residents Arrested	Non-residents Arrested
Part I Classes	56.5%	43.5%
Robbery	64.3%	35.7%
Narcotics	73.9%	26.1%
Burglary	60.0%	40.0%

States Attorney's Office handles Bad Checks as of June 1, 1994

*N/C - not calculable

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MOTOR VEH. COLLISIONS HANDLED BY MCP

	March 2000	March 1999
Current Month All	787	826
Year to Date All	2,724	2,461
Fatal Current Month	6	2
Alcohol Related	1	0
Fatal Year to Date	14	8
Alcohol Related	1	2
Injury Current Month	393	328
Alcohol Related	25	17
Aggravated Assault	1,148	1,009
Alcohol Related	68	51
Hit & Run Current Month	158	178
Hit & Run Year to Date	600	504

MOTOR VEH. COLLISIONS FATALITIES

	March Monthly 2000	March YTD 1999
All Victims Year to Date	14	8
Operators	5	5
Passengers	3	0
Pedestrians	5	3
On Pedalcycles	0	0
On Motorcycles	1	0

PERSONS INJURED CURRENT MONTH

	2000	1999
Occupants (inc. Operator)	523	460
Pedestrians	34	25
Pedalcyclists	2	0
Motorcyclists	5	2

PROPERTY VALUE

	2000	1999
Stolen Cur Month	$3,295,107	$3,755,441
Stolen YTD	$10,446,907	$9,956,399
Recovered Cur Month	$1,378,839	$1,450,873
Recovered YTD	$4,648,607	$4,808,950

COMPARISON STUDY OF NON-CRIME EVENTS

	March 2000	YTD 2000	YTD 1999	% + -
Misc. Traffic Offenses (Rep.)	1,607	5,640	5,076	11.1%
Sudden Deaths (Verified)	42	150	169	-11.2%
Alarms(Received)*	4,106	11,771	12,105	-2.8%
Alarms(Responded)*	2,383	6,592	5,834	13.0%
Fires (Verified)	64	237	269	-11.9%
Missing Persons (Verified)	60	169	158	7.0%
Family Trouble	703	2,427	2,432	-0.2%
Suspicious Situations	1,766	5,317	5,296	0.4%
Total All Events	19,403	60,086	59,630	0.8%

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PART I CLASSES AND CASES CLOSED
2000 - 1999

PART I CLASSES	YEAR	March	YEAR TO DATE	CASES CLOSED March	CASES CLOSED YEAR TO DATE
Murder	2000	0	0	0 (0.0%)	1 (150.0%)
Murder	1999	0	2	0 (0.0%)	3* (*N/C)
Rape	2000	13	31	5 (38.5%)	14 (45.2%)
Rape	1999	11	31	5 (45.5%)	22 (71.0%)
Robbery	2000	51	141	21 (41.2%)	65 (46.1%)
Robbery	1999	47	145	27 (57.4%)	70 (48.3%)
Aggravated Assault	2000	61	170	46 (75.4%)	136 (80.0%)
Aggravated Assault	1999	72	175	60 (83.3%)	130 (74.3%)
Burglary	2000	277	778	61 (22.0%)	184 (23.7%)
Burglary	1999	282	813	107 (37.9%)	349 (42.9%)
Larceny	2000	1,517	4,160	307 (20.2%)	924 (22.2%)
Larceny	1999	1,496	4,358	311 (20.8%)	870 (20.0%)
Auto Theft	2000	239	684	92 (38.5%)	187 (27.3%)
Auto Theft	1999	206	612	37 (18.0%)	122 (19.9%)
Total Part I	2000	2,158	5,964	532 (24.7%)	1,511 (25.3%)
Total Part I	1999	2,114	6,136	547 (25.9%)	1,566 (25.5%)

*Reflects closure from previous years
*N/C - not calculable

CRIMINAL ARRESTS

	2000	1999
Total Current Month	1,135	1,183
Total Year to Date	3,083	3,236
Male Current Month	888	951
Total Year to Date	2,440	2,649
Female Current Month	247	232
Total Year to Date	643	587
Under 18 Current Month	185	186
Total Under 18 YTD	478	516

CRIMINAL CITATIONS ISSUED

	2000	1999
Total Current Month	351	317
Total Year to Date	1,040	1,194

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

	2000	1999
Arrests Current Month	364	321
Arrests Year to Date	986	888

TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED

	2000	1999
Current*	5,993	5,346
Year to Date*	11,543	9,725

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